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1/6/2010 Commission Openings

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

January 6, 2010

CONTACT: Terri Cook – (650) 595-7413

Belmont Seeks Residents for Commission Openings

Belmont, CA -- The City of Belmont is currently recruiting residents interested in serving on various City Commissions. The deadline to apply is 5:00 p.m. Friday, January 29, 2010, and the application is available on the City's website: www.belmont.gov under "City Council and Commissions," by calling (650) 595-7413, or in person at the City Clerk's Office, City Hall, One Twin Pines Lane, Suite 375.

There are two openings on the Planning Commission for three-year terms. The Planning Commission meets the first and third Tuesdays of the month at 7:00 p.m. The Commission reviews and takes action on planning applications, and makes recommendations to the City Council on zoning and land use issues.

There are three openings for adult seats on the **Parks and Recreation Commission** for two-year terms. One of those seats was recently vacated due to the election of Dave Warden to the City Council. The Parks and Recreation Commission meets the first Wednesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. and makes recommendations to the City Council on matters pertaining to Belmont's Park and Recreation programs, as well as on capital improvements to the City's various parks and open space areas.

There are two openings for **Youth seats on the Parks and Recreation Commission**. The City Council will consider applications from Belmont residents who are between the ages of 13 and 17 years old. Parent/Guardian consent is mandatory. These seats are for one-year terms. Youth members are full voting members of the Commission.

There are three openings on the **Finance Commission** for three-year terms. The Finance Commission meets bimonthly on the first Thursday at 7:30 p.m. and participates in the budget review process, conducts an annual review of the City's investment policy, and, at the request of the City Council, evaluates proposals, programs and contracts for long- and short-term financial consequences. Finance Commissioners serve for three-year terms.

To apply for any of these positions and to have an opportunity to make a contribution to your community, fill out the application form available on the website or from the City Clerk's Office (One Twin Pines Lane, Suite 375), and return it to the City Clerk no later than 5:00 p.m. on Friday, January 29, 2010. Applicants must live in Belmont. Except for a small stipend paid to Planning Commissioners, there is no compensation for these positions. It should be noted that incumbent members of all these commissions are eligible to apply for reappointment.

For more information, contact the City Clerk's Office at 650-595-7413.

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1/25/2010 Commission Openings Reminder

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

January 25, 2010

CONTACT: Terri Cook – (650) 595-7413

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1/27/2010 Robbery Subway Sandwiches

Type of Incident: Armed Robbery

Case #: 1001-0164

Location: Subway Sandwiches – 1602 El Camino Real, Belmont

Date: 1/26/10 **Time:** 8:10 PM

EVENT:

Last night, Belmont PD officers were called to Subway Sandwiches at 1602 El Camino Real on the report of an armed robbery that had just occurred. Though this investigation is ongoing, the following is known at this time:

Two men, both about 5'7" tall with medium builds, wearing dark blue or black hooded sweatshirts, dark masks and dark colored pants robbed the sandwich shop, taking money from the cash register. A female customer inside the shop was also robbed of her purse. One of the men was armed with a silver revolver, and both fled the area on foot.

Officers scoured the area and passed along critical suspect information to surrounding law enforcement agencies.

Anyone with information on this case is asked to contact Belmont PD investigators at (650) 595-7400.

By: Sgt. Tony Psaila

Date: 1/27/2010 Time: 0900 hrs

1/30/2010 Armed Home Invasion Robbery

BELMONT POLICE DEPARTMENT PRESS RELEASE

Pursuant to California Government Code § 6254(f)

Type of Incident: Armed Home Invasion Robbery

Case #: 1001-0183

Location: 2700 Block Newlands Dr, Belmont **Date:** 1/30/10 **Time:** 5:20 PM

EVENT:

Earlier this evening, Belmont PD officers were called to a home in the 2700 block of Newlands Dr on the report of a young man bleeding from a head wound outside the house. Though this investigation is ongoing, the following is known at this time:

Two men knocked on the door of the home and when a resident answered they forced their way into the house with handguns drawn. The two residents (men in their 20's) were detained and forced to turn over cash. One shot was fired into the ceiling by one of the suspects, apparently as a means of intimidating the victims. During the robbery, one victim was pistol whipped and received a laceration to the head. He was treated at a local hospital and released. The other victim was not injured.

The two suspects were described as follows:

#1: White or Hispanic male, mid 20's, 5'9" 200+ lbs, with a scar on his upper lip. He was wearing a black hooded pullover and dark jeans.

#2: White male, mid 30's, 6' 250+ lbs, bald head with a goatee.

Officers scoured the area and passed along critical suspect information to surrounding law enforcement agencies. More than one witness saw a dark colored (possibly dark green) large SUV, possibly a 90's Chevrolet Suburban, leaving the scene. It was last seen southbound on Cipriani Blvd from Newlands Dr.

Anyone with information on this case is asked to contact Belmont PD investigators at (650) 595-7400.

By: Capt. Dan DeSmidt
Date: 1/30/10 Time: 2000 hrs

2/1/2010 Domestic Violence/Kidnapping Suspect Arrested

BELMONT POLICE DEPARTMENT

PRESS RELEASE

Pursuant to California Government Code § 6254(f)

Type of Incident: Domestic Violence/Kidnapping Suspect Arrested

Case #: 1001-0186 Location: 400 blk Wessex Way, Belmont

Date: 1/31/10

Time: 11:20 am

EVENT

A suspect wanted by the San Mateo County Sheriff's Office on domestic violence and kidnapping charges was arrested by Belmont Police Sunday, after fleeing on foot from a house in the 400 block of Wessex Way, where he had been hiding.

When officers arrived, the suspect, Theodore Early (age 48 of El Granada), fled out the rear of the residence. Officers pursued Early and during the chase, a less-lethal beanbag round was used, striking Early once. Early continued to run over several fences and through multiple backyards. Early was taken into custody approx. 10 minutes later, in the 300 block of Oxford Way, without further incident. Neither Early, nor the pursuing officers were seriously injured during the pursuit.

Early was booked into the San Mateo County Jail in Redwood City.

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By: Lieutenant Patrick Halleran Authorized By: Capt. D. DeSmidt
Date: 2/1/10 Time: 1400hrs Date: 1/21/10 Time: 1400hrs

2/2/2010 UPDATE: Robbery Subway Sandwiches

BELMONT POLICE DEPARTMENT
PRESS RELEASE

Pursuant to California Government Code § 6254(f)

Type of Incident: Armed Robbery

Case #: 1001-0164

Location: Subway Sandwiches –
1602 El Camino Real, Belmont

Date: 1/26/10 Time: 8:10 PM

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Officers scoured the area and passed along critical suspect information to surrounding law enforcement agencies.

UPDATE:

Belmont PD Detectives have been working with Mountain View PD after their arrest of three robbery suspects this week. Though the investigation continues, investigators are convinced that the same suspects are linked to last week's robbery of the Belmont Subway Sandwich shop on El Camino Real. The links included the suspect descriptions, mode of the crime, and statements made by the suspects following their arrest.

Belmont PD Detectives anticipate filing charges in this case in the near future.

Anyone with information on this case is asked to contact Belmont PD investigators at (650) 595-7400.

By: Capt. Dan DeSmidt
Date: 2/2/2010 Time: 1400 hrs

2/2/2010 Owner Builder Workshop

NEWS

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

February 2, 2010

CONTACT: Mark Nolfi, Building Official (650) 595-7450
Community Development Department

Belmont, CA –

Owner-Builder Workshop

On Thursday, February 25, 2010, at 6:30 PM the Community Development Department will be hosting an **Owner-Builder Workshop** on the 2nd floor of City Hall, in the EOC room. Topics will include Design Review, Floor Area Ratios, Parking Requirements, Building Permit Submittal, Inspections, and new to this seminar, Green Building Practices. While not a “how-to- build” seminar, this event is for any owner contemplating an addition or alteration construction project. For registration, please contact Kelsey Mathias at (650) 595-7422 or kmathias@belmont.gov. Space is limited. Refreshments will be served.

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2/20/2010 Brandishing Firearm

**BELMONT POLICE DEPARTMENT
PRESS RELEASE**

Pursuant to California Government Code § 6254(f)

Type of Incident: Brandishing-Firearm

Case #: 1002-0136

Location: Notre Dame De Namur University 1500 Ralston Ave.

Date: 2-20-2010

Time: 2:30am

EVENT:

Earlier this morning, Belmont Police officers responded to the Notre Dame De Namur University Campus, 1500 Ralston Avenue on the report of a brandishing of a firearm. Though this investigation is on going, the following is known at this time.

Two men, who were non-students, were on campus attending a dance. After the dance the two men were talking with students at a dorm lounge. At some point a verbal altercation occurred. During the altercation the two men exhibited handguns to the students, although no direct threats were made to anyone. The two men then left the dorm in an unknown direction.

The entire dormitory was searched by officers along with University security and determined that the involved parties had already left the campus.

The incident is currently being investigated by Campus Security along with the Belmont Police.

Suspect Description:

#1 Black male, early 20's, with dreadlocks, wearing red pants and a red A's BB cap, with a Blk.V-neck T-shirt and white sneakers. The subject also had a trimmed/shaved pattern in his eyebrows.

#2 Black male, early 20's 6'1" approximately 200 lbs, short hair and unshaven wearing a multi-colored jacket with no shirt. The subject was wearing blue jeans with a pattern on the back.

Anyone with information regarding this case is asked to contact the Belmont Police Department at (650) 595-7400.

By: Sergeant R. Digneo
Date: 2-20-2010 Time: 0500 hrs

Authorized By: Sergeant R. Digneo
Date: 2-20-2010 Time: 0500 hrs

3/3/2010 Council Seeks Community Input

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

March 2, 2010

CONTACT: Cora Dino – (650) 637-2988

**City Council Seeks Community Input
on City Manager Recruitment**

Belmont, CA

The City of Belmont is currently recruiting for its City Manager position. In the City's efforts to outreach to the community, the City Council cordially invites the community to attend a forum in which interested parties can provide feedback regarding the recruitment of the City's new leader. Bobbi Peckham, Executive Recruiter of Peckham & McKenney Executive Search will be available to receive input from individuals or groups. We welcome the Chamber of Commerce, neighborhood/homeowner's associations, schools/university representatives, business owners, residents, city staff and other stakeholders to participate.

The community forum is comprised of two sessions scheduled on Tuesday, March 9, 2010. The first session is scheduled at 4 -5:30PM at the Lodge, Room 1 and the second session is scheduled at 6PM-7:30PM at City Hall, Emergency Operations Center (EOC). City Hall is located at One Twins Pines Lane and the Lodge is located at 40 Twin Pines Lane. The City is holding a similar session for its employees.

All are welcome and those who are unable to attend the forum but wish to provide feedback can do so by contacting Ms. Peckham via email at bobbi@peckhamandmckenney.com or (916)-391-2233.

Former City Manager Jack Crist retired from the City of Belmont on February 5, 2010.

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3/16/2010 Bank Robbery Suspect Photo

BELMONT POLICE DEPARTMENT

PRESS RELEASE

Pursuant to California Government Code § 6254(f)

Type of Incident: Bank Robbery

Case #: 1003-0103

Location: US Bank – 910 Ralston Ave. Date: 3-16-2010 Time: 12:55 pm

EVENT:

Belmont PD officers were called to the US Bank on Ralston Ave today on the report of a robbery that had just occurred. Bank employees describe a large/muscular, light-skinned African American man with a tightly trimmed beard. He was wearing a black cowboy hat and a black/gray-striped, button up, collared shirt. The man also had a silver metal “grill” in his front teeth. The suspect entered the bank alone, approached a teller, announced that it was a robbery, simulated a gun in his pocket and demanded money. No gun was actually seen. After receiving an undisclosed amount of cash, the suspect fled on foot through the north doors and into the parking lot. The lone suspect may have made his getaway in a vehicle, though no witnesses were found to confirm this.

Belmont PD investigators are working with the FBI to develop additional leads. Investigators are working with US Bank representatives to gather surveillance footage of the crime. Photographs will be released as they become available. For the latest information please check www.belmont.gov and click “Press Releases”.

Anyone with information on this case is asked to contact Belmont PD investigators at
(650) 595-7400.

By: Capt. Dan DeSmidt
Date: 3-16-2010 Time: 1430 hrs

Authorized By: Chief Don Mattei
Date: 3-16-2010 Time: 1420 hrs

3/23/2010 Belmont Named a Tree City USA Community

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

March 18, 2010

CONTACT: Daniel Ourtiague (650) 595-7442

Belmont, CA. has been named a Tree City USA community by the Arbor Day Foundation to honor its commitment to community forestry.

It is the third year Belmont has received this national recognition.

“The City of Belmont is very honored by this recognition,” said Mayor Christine Wozniak. “Belmont cherishes its trees and the residents care deeply about preserving them for future generations. The city will continue to support the planting of new trees and the maintenance of established trees for the benefit of the community.”

The Tree City USA program is sponsored by the Arbor Day Foundation in cooperation with the National Association of State Foresters and the USDA Forest Service.

Belmont met the four standards to become a Tree City USA community: having a tree board or department, a tree care ordinance, a comprehensive community forestry program, and an Arbor Day observance and proclamation.

Communities that receive Tree City USA recognition not only have taken the time to meet these four standards, they recognize that:

- Trees promote healthier communities. Leaves filter the air we breathe by removing dust and other particles.
- Trees moderate climate, conserve water and provide habitat for wildlife.
- Trees in urban areas reduce the heat island effect caused by pavement and buildings.
- Properly placed trees can increase property values, and buildings in wooded areas rent more quickly and tenants stay longer.

“A community, its elected officials and its citizens that provide needed care for its trees deserves recognition and thanks,” said John Rosenow, chief executive of the Arbor Day Foundation.

“Trees are a vital component of the infrastructure in our cities and towns, and they also provide environmental and economical benefits. Cities that are recognized with a Tree City USA designation go to great lengths to plant and care for the community forest.”

More information about Tree City USA can be found at www.arborday.org/TreeCityUSA

3/25/2010 Community Meeting Budget Correction Options for Belmont

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

March 25, 2010

CONTACT: City Manager's Office (650) 595-7408
Community Meeting
"Budget Correction Options for the City of Belmont"

Belmont, CA --

The City of Belmont is inviting the public to participate in a Community Meeting to discuss possible options for a budget correction plan for city government. The meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 31, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. in the Taube Room at the Belmont Library, located at 1110 Alameda de las Pulgas in Belmont.

The focus of the meeting is to inform the community about the current City budget situation and get input on possible budget correction options. "It is important to us to find out what is important to the community", said Acting City Manager Don Mattei. "We want an open and transparent process to address our current fiscal challenges" Mattei added.

Belmont City staff will present an over-view of the current budget status as well as the outlook for the coming budget year and beyond. The public will be asked to present their concerns and any ideas they have, for addressing the situation. While there will be an initial presentation by staff, we want to stress that this is a discussion, not a lecture. Our goal is ensure that the community is a partner in the decision making process and that we consider all options.

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4/5/2010 Passenger Dies After Traffic Collision

Type of Incident: **Passenger Dies After Traffic Collision**

Location: 600 blk of Ralston Ave, Belmont

Case #: 1004-0015

Date: 4-3-2010

Time: 1136 hrs

EVENT

****This is an update to an earlier press release.**

On 4-3-2010 at approximately 11:35 A.M. Belmont Police received a report of a five car accident w/b Ralston Ave. just east of Old County Road. When officer's arrived on scene they found that an 80 year old Belmont woman had collided with the rear of another vehicle, causing a chain reaction accident. Officers located an unconscious 93 year old male passenger, in the front seat of the woman's car. Officers immediately began CPR on the man until arrival of Belmont-San Carlos Fire Department paramedics, a short time later. The man was transported to the San Mateo Medical Center, where he was pronounced deceased by medical staff. The cause of death is not known and is under investigation by the San Mateo County Coroner's Office.

There were no other injuries and w/b Ralston Ave between Hiller St and Old County Rd was closed for approximately three hours. The cause of the collision is undetermined and is under investigation by the Belmont Police Department.

Anyone with information on this collision is asked to contact the Belmont Police Traffic Unit at 650-595-7400.

By: Lieutenant Patrick Halleran

Date: 4-5-2010 Time: 0935hrs

Authorized By: Captain Dan DeSmidt

Date: 4-5-2010 Time: 0935hrs

4/12/2010 Seat Belt Enforcement Crackdown Planned for Belmont

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

April 9, 2010

CONTACT

Sergeant Mike Braké
650-595-7400

Seat Belt Enforcement Crackdown Planned for Belmont

CLICK IT OR TICKET Safety Campaign Saves Lives

Belmont, CA – The Belmont Police Department will be out in force during the month of April, searching for those unbelted drivers and passengers, enforcing California's seatbelt laws as part of a year-long *Click It or Ticket* campaign. Police and safety experts are partnered to keep this safety message to the forefront of everyone's mind and to aggressively enforce the law to those violators who do not buckle up.

The state's seat belt use rate in 2009 was 95.2 percent, which still leaves more than a million Californians vulnerable. Through enforcement and awareness of these preventable tragedies, fewer lives will be lost. 2008 collision data shows that more than 1,389 people in passenger vehicles died in crashes while unbelted. About half of these lives could have been saved if they had been wearing seat belts at the time of the crash.

"Seat belts save lives and law enforcement will stop and cite those driving or riding without seat belts in vehicles this week," said Police Chief Don Mattei. "Officers will not give a pass on this critically important safety requirement, so please buckle up and protect your passengers by ensuring they fasten their seat belts or use the proper child restraint system."

Belmont police officers will be out at all hours during the campaign, day and night, making sure that everyone is safely buckled in. Teens will be a particular focus of officers, as their usage rate lags behind adults, yet they are disproportionately involved in more crashes. Proper restraints can increase chances of surviving a serious crash by 50 percent.

Funding for this operation supporting California's *Click It or Ticket* campaign was provided by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

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4/14/2010 Red Light Photo Enforcement System 30 Day Warning Period Begins

Press Release

For Immediate Release
April 14, 2010

Contact: Dan DeSmidt
650-595-7412

CONSTRUCTION COMPLETED ON RED LIGHT PHOTO ENFORCEMENT SYSTEMS *30 DAY WARNING PERIOD BEGINS*

Belmont, CA --

This Friday April 16, 2010 Red Light Photo Enforcement Systems will be activated at the intersection of Ralston Avenue & El Camino, and the intersection of Ralston Avenue & Old County Road. Violators photographed by the systems, during the first 30 days, will receive a warning letters notifying them that their vehicle was photographed and recorded violating the red light at the intersection. Once the 30 day warning period is complete, citations will be issued.

In 2008, the City of Belmont adopted a resolution to implement an automated red-light enforcement program. Red light photo enforcement was added to an overall traffic safety plan designed to reduce collisions, improve safety for motorists, raise public awareness and improve enforcement efforts. After extensive background work by City staff, construction on the systems was recently completed.

These intersections were chosen due to their high traffic volume and physical layout, which make monitoring and enforcement of red light violations difficult and potentially hazardous to the officer, violator, and motoring public.

"I believe that drivers who run red lights are often the same drivers that are speeding through our neighborhoods and cause other traffic issues" said Belmont Police Chief Don Mattei. "The Red Light Photo Enforcement program allows us to provide a higher level of enforcement at our problematic intersections without additional costs and frees up officers to address traffic concerns at other locations", Mattei added.

4/14/2010 Stolen Bike

Stolen Bicycle

Date: 4/14/2010

Case #: 1004-0038

Author ID: P17



Similar picture of victim's bicycle

On Monday, April 5, 2010 at approximately 2:00 PM the victim's black A2B electric bicycle was stolen from the bike rack at the Belmont CalTrain station.

The picture above is a similar picture of the stolen bicycle. The victim's bike had a flat tire, yellow circle and rectangular reflectors, and a blue towel wrapped around the frame (secured with gray duct tape). The bike weighs approximately 70 lbs and is valued at \$2000.

The victim did not have insurance on the bicycle and he is unable to purchase a new one. The owner has offered a Reward for the return of his bicycle.

The public is being asked to be on the look out for this bicycle and anyone with information is being asked to please contact the Belmont Police Department.

Belmont Police Department - CA0410200
(650) 595-7400

Produced on Critical Reach System 10000:641. See www.criticalreach.org for more information on Critical Reach alerts.



**** MEDIA ADVISORY ****

**Bay Area Law Enforcement Invited to Free
Identity Theft Summit Presented by FBI-LEEDA & LifeLock**

WHAT: In partnership with Chief Donald J. Mattei and the Belmont Police Department, FBI Law Enforcement Executive Development Association (FBI-LEEDA) and LifeLock, Inc. (www.lifelock.com) will be offering a free, one-day Identity Theft Summit bringing together local, regional and state law enforcement officials to better understand the crime of identity theft and the direction it is headed.

Participants will be presented with real case information and insight as to how law enforcement can best work to combat the crime. Instruction will also be provided into the various generations of identity theft as well as information on new scams and the most effective investigative strategies.

WHO: The summit is free and open to chiefs, sheriffs, investigative supervisors, fraud unit investigators, patrol officers and community policing personnel. Officials of all experience levels in investigating identity theft crimes are encouraged to attend.

WHEN: **Tuesday, May 11**
8 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

WHERE: **Belmont Sports Complex Conference Center**
550 Island Parkway, Belmont, CA 94002

WHY: As reports of identity theft continue to rise across the country, law enforcement officials are being pressured by residents throughout their communities to find a way to curb the crime. According to the Federal Trade Commission, the state of California ranked 4th in 2009 for the highest number of identity theft complaints reported by consumers.

REGISTER: If you are with law enforcement and would like to attend the event, please contact Paige Pedersen at 480-457-2108, or paige@lifelock.com or by fax at 480-907-2946.

MEDIA CONTACT: If you are a member of the media and would like to join the event, please contact LifeLock Communications Manager Rebecca Clout at 480-457-2184, or rebecca.clout@lifelock.com.

5/4/2010 Belmont Pedestrian/Bicycle Bridge Groundbreaking Ceremony

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

May 4, 2010

CONTACT: Laura Guluzzy, Recreation Coordinator (650) 637-2976

Email: lguluzzy@belmont.gov

Belmont Parks & Recreation

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Belmont, CA –

“Belmont Pedestrian/Bicycle Bridge Groundbreaking Ceremony”

The City of Belmont invites the community to join in the Groundbreaking Ceremony for the Pedestrian/Bike Bridge at the Belmont Sports Complex. The new Pedestrian/Bike Bridge will be a safe means to cross over the freeway for access to the Belmont Community and Sports Complex. The ceremony begins at 1:00 pm on Wednesday, May 12th. The Sports Complex is located at 550 Island Parkway in Belmont near Ralston Ave. Please join us in celebrating the beginning of what will become such a cohesive community asset. **The City of Belmont is Bridging the community!** For further information please contact the City of Belmont website under Parks and Recreation at: www.belmont.gov or call: (650) 595-7425.

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5/7/2010 Mayor's State of City Address

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

May 7, 2010

CONTACT: Thomas Fil – (650) 595-7408

Annual State of the City Event Set for May 20

Belmont, CA --

Mayor Christine Wozniak will present her State of the City Address on Thursday, May 20th at 7:30 p.m. in the [Taube Room of the Belmont Library](#) at 1110 Alameda de las Pulgas in Belmont. There will be a reception immediately following the Address. The event is free, and reservations are recommended. The community is invited. If you are interested in attending, please contact Joni Stallings in the City Manager's office by Monday, May 17 at 650.595.7408 or by email:

jonis@belmont.gov.

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5/8/2010 Assault With a Deadly Weapon

PRESS RELEASE

Pursuant to California Government Code § 6254(f)

Type of Incident: Assault with a deadly weapon

Case #: 1005-0062

Location: Summerfield Suites 400 Concourse Dr.
3:00am

Date: 05/08/10

Time:

EVENT:

Earlier this morning, Belmont Police officers responded to the Summerfield Suites, 400 Concourse Drive on the report of an assault with a deadly weapon. Though this investigation is on going, the following is known at this time.

A group of subjects were involved in a physical altercation in one of the rooms. One subject sustained injuries which required him to be transported to a nearby hospital to be treated. Other subjects sustained minor injuries which required no medical treatment.

The entire complex, as well as the adjoining area, was searched for one person of particular interest.

This incident appears to be an isolated event and it is believed that all subjects involved may have known each other. None of the involved parties were Belmont residents.

Suspect Description:

S#1-Hispanic male, late teens or early 20's, wearing black shirt, black jeans, and a black hooded jacket. Unknown if subject left the area on foot or in a vehicle.

Anyone with information regarding this case is asked to contact the Belmont Police Department at (650)595-7400.

By: Sergeant R. Digneo
Date: 5/8/10 Time: 0600 hrs

Authorized By: Sergeant R. Digneo
Date: 5/8/10 Time: 0600 hrs

5/11/2010 Community Outreach Meeting High Speed Rail Project



Public Notice for Community Outreach Meeting Alternatives Analysis for the San Francisco to San Jose High Speed Rail Project

DATE: Wednesday, May 26, 2010
TIME: 6:00-9:00 PM
PLACE: City Hall Council Chambers, 2nd Floor – One Twin Pines Lane, Belmont, Ca. 94002

Please join the Peninsula Rail Program for an open house, presentation, and educational breakout groups regarding the Alternatives Analysis Report for the San Francisco to San Jose High Speed Rail Project.

AGENDA

- Check-In/Open House
- Peninsula Rail Program Presentation
- Educational Break-Out Groups and Report Back
- Closing remarks

The Alternatives Analysis is available on the California High Speed Rail Project website at:
<http://www.cahighspeedrail.ca.gov/library.asp?p=8243>.

5/14/2010 Assault With a Deadly Weapon - Suspect In Custody

BELMONT POLICE DEPARTMENT PRESS RELEASE

Pursuant to California Government Code § 6254(f)

Type of Incident:

Assault with a deadly weapon - SUSPECT IN CUSTODY

Case #: 1005-0062

Location: Summerfield Suites, 400 Concourse Dr.
3:00am

Date: 05/08/10 Time:

EVENT:

On Saturday, 5/8/10 @ approx. 3:00AM, Belmont Police responded to the Summerfield Suites on the report of an assault with a deadly weapon, where a group of subjects had been involved in a physical altercation in one of the rooms. One subject sustained injuries, which required him to be transported to a nearby hospital to be treated. Other subjects sustained minor injuries which required no medical treatment.

The suspect, a Hispanic male, in his late teens or early 20's, wearing black shirt, black jeans, and a black hooded jacket fled prior to police arrival. The weapon used appeared to be a knife or similar instrument.

***** UPDATE *****

Belmont Police investigators identified the suspect as Jason Anthony Ortega, age 20, of San Mateo. An arrest warrant was obtained for Ortega and he was taken into custody on Thursday, 5/13/10. Ortega was booked into the San Mateo County Jail on multiple charges, including; Assault with a Deadly Weapon, Domestic Violence Assault, Brandishing a Weapon and Violation of a Protective Order.

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By: Lieutenant Patrick Halleran

Date: 5/14/10 Time: 0945hrs

Authorized By: Lieutenant Patrick Halleran

Date: 5/14/10 Time: 0945hrs

5/17/2010 Public Meeting - Preliminary Alternatives Analysis of the California High Speed Rail Train Project



City of Belmont
One Twin Pines Lane, Suite 340
Belmont, CA 94002



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
May 17, 2010

Contact: Carlos de Melo 650-595-7440
Community Development Director

CITY OF BELMONT & PENINSULA RAIL PROGRAM ANNOUNCE PUBLIC MEETING
Meeting will give residents a view of the Preliminary Alternatives Analysis of the California High Speed Train Project

Belmont – The City of Belmont and the Peninsula Rail Program, a partnership between the California High Speed Rail Authority and Caltrain, will hold a public workshop in Belmont, California to present and discuss the Preliminary Alternatives Analysis Report for the San Francisco to San Jose section of the California High Speed Train Project on May 26, 2010.

Residents are encouraged to attend the presentation and educational break out session conducted by project engineers.

The public workshop for Belmont is part of an ongoing effort to educate the public and provide a venue for input and feedback.

Meeting details are:

DATE: Wednesday, May 26, 2010
TIME: 6:00-9:00 PM
PLACE: Belmont Council Chambers
 One Twin Pines Lane, Second floor
 Belmont, CA 94002

The Preliminary Alternatives Analysis Report is available on the California High Speed Rail Authority's website at: <http://www.cahighspeedrail.ca.gov/library.asp?p=8243>.

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5/18/2010 National Night Out

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

May 18, 2010

CONTACT:

Kathy DeConcini (650) 595-7404

Police Chief invites public input on NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

Belmont, CA --

The annual “**National Night Out**” is a unique crime prevention event sponsored by the National Association of Town Watch. The purpose is to get neighbors together in a social setting, and to share information to improve our neighborhoods. This year’s event has been scheduled for **Tuesday August 3, 2010**.

Belmont Police Chief Don Mattei is inviting community leaders to participate in a steering committee to enhance and expand this year’s **National Night Out** event for the City of Belmont. Chief Mattei and his staff are looking for business people, community members, neighborhood groups, and young people from Belmont to meet and share ideas on **Friday May 21, 2010 at 9 am** in the EOC room on the second floor of City Hall inside Twin Pines Park. Dates and times for future meetings will vary, so don’t hesitate to join the committee, even if your schedule is full this Friday.

Please RSVP or express your interest in future meetings to Belmont PD Admin Assistant Kathy DeConcini at 650-595-7404.

Belmont Police Department

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5/19/2010 Click It or Ticket



PRESS RELEASE

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

May 19, 2009

CONTACT

Sergeant Mike Braké 650-595-7400

BUCKLE UP DAY AND NIGHT – *Seat Belt Ticket Increases to \$142*

Belmont, Calif. – If you're planning to hit the road for a late spring or early summer getaway, be sure that everyone in the car wears their seat belt on every trip, day and night. Law enforcement throughout the state, including the Belmont Police Department will be looking for unbelted drivers and passengers as part of the 2010 *Click It or Ticket* mobilization, May 24 – June 6. This year, fines and fees have increased from \$132 to \$142 for first time adult seat belt violations. For children under 16, the fine is now \$445 for a first time offense.

"Keep your friends and family safe by buckling up no matter where you're going," said Chief Don Mattei. "We will be looking for motorists throughout the area who are not buckling up, day and night. It's not just about avoiding a ticket; it's about keeping the ones you care about alive."

Seat belt violators will receive citations – no warnings. The *Click It or Ticket* campaign relies on heavy enforcement and public education as a means to help save lives on California's roadways.

"Wearing a seat belt is just simply the easiest and most effective thing you can do on the road to protect yourself and your family," said Christopher J. Murphy, Director of the California Office of Traffic Safety. "That means buckling up day and night, on every trip."

More than 600 permanent *Click It or Ticket* highway signs, which have been up since 2005, will be updated to reflect the new 'Minimum \$142' in the coming months.

Currently California has a seat belt usage rate of 95.3 percent, but that still means over half a million people are not buckling up. Properly restrained drivers, passengers and children have a 50 percent better chance of surviving a crash than unbelted occupants. Those ejected from vehicles in crashes or roll-overs are up to 35 times more likely to die than restrained occupants.

More than 150 local law enforcement agencies statewide and the CHP will be participating in this year's *Click It or Ticket* mobilization. Funding to support California's *Click It or Ticket* campaign was provided by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

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5/19/2010 Red Light Photo Enforcement System

Press Release

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

May 19, 2010

CONTACT:

Lieutenant Patrick Halleran (650) 595-7430

**RED LIGHT PHOTO ENFORCEMENT SYSTEMS
30 DAY WARNING PERIOD ENDS NEXT WEEK**

Belmont, CA --

Starting next Thursday, May 27, 2010, drivers who violate the red lights at intersection of Ralston Avenue & El Camino, and the intersection of Ralston Avenue & Old County Road will begin receiving citations.

The Red Light Photo Enforcement Systems at the intersections were activated on April 27th. By law, violators photographed by the systems, during the first 30 days of operation, receive warning letters notifying them that their vehicle was photographed and recorded violating the red light at the intersection, rather than citations. During the first 21 days that the system was active, warning letters were sent to 240 drivers who violated the lights.

In 2008, the City of Belmont adopted a resolution to implement an automated red-light enforcement program. Red light photo enforcement was added to an overall traffic safety plan designed to reduce collisions, improve safety for motorists, raise public awareness and improve enforcement efforts. After extensive background work by City staff, construction on the systems was recently completed.

These intersections were chosen due to their high traffic volume and physical layout, which make monitoring and enforcement of red light violations difficult and potentially hazardous to the officer, violator, and motoring public.

"I believe that drivers who run red lights are often the same drivers that are speeding through our neighborhoods and cause other traffic issues" said Belmont Police Chief Don Mattei. "The Red Light Photo Enforcement program allows us to provide a higher level of enforcement at our problematic intersections without additional costs and frees up officers to address traffic concerns at other locations", Mattei added.

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5/27/2010 Traffic Collision Scam

BELMONT POLICE DEPARTMENT PRESS RELEASE

Pursuant to California Government Code § 6254(f)

Type of Incident: **Traffic Collision Scam**
Location: Carlmont Shopping Center, Belmont

Case #: 1005-0182
Date: 5/26/10 Time: 1430hrs

EVENT

The Belmont Police Department would like to alert the public to an apparent scam, where two suspects followed an elderly Belmont man home and attempted to convince him that he had collided with their car, in an effort to obtain money from the man.

In the afternoon of Wednesday, 5/26/10, an elderly Belmont resident drove home after visiting the Carlmont Shopping Center in Belmont. When he arrived home, he was approached by a couple, who told him that he had collided with their car at the shopping center. The couple pointed out a scuff mark on their car and asked the man for cash to pay for the damage to their vehicle.

The victim knew that he had not been in an accident and became suspicious that this was possibly a scam. When the victim told the couple that he was going to call the police the couple fled. The suspects are described as a Hispanic male and Hispanic female, both in their 40's, driving a white Mercury sedan.

Anyone with information on this incident, or these suspects, is asked to contact Belmont Police at 650-595-7400.

By: Lieutenant Patrick Halleran
Date: 5/27/10 Time: 1600hrs

Authorized By: Lieutenant Patrick Halleran
Date: 5/27/10 Time: 1600hrs

6/1/2010 Illegal Dumping

BELMONT POLICE DEPARTMENT PRESS RELEASE

Pursuant to California Government Code § 6254(f)

Type of Incident: **Illegal Dumping**
Location: 1645 El Camino, Belmont
9:15AM

Case #: 1006-0002
Date: 6/1/10 Time:

EVENT

On Tuesday, June 1, 2010 @ approx. 9:15AM, Belmont Police and Belmont-San Carlos Fire responded to a report of two unknown drums, which had been found in the parking lot of the Neptune Society at 1645 El Camino.

Upon arrival, responding units found two blue plastic 55 gallon drums and a suitcase, which had been left at the south end of the parking lot. The suitcase was found to be empty and the drums were found to contain an unknown liquid. The San Mateo County Hazardous Materials Team responded to investigate and samples of the liquid were analyzed. The substance was found to be a flammable liquid and arrangements are being made for removal of the drums, which should occur later today. No one was injured during this incident and one lane of N/B El Camino in the 1600blk was closed to traffic. The roadway was re-opened at approx. 11:30AM.

The incident is under investigation and anyone with information on these drums or who may have left them in the parking lot, is asked to call Belmont Police at 650-595-7400.

By: Lieutenant Patrick Halleran
Date: 6-1-10 Time: 1200hrs

Authorized By: Lieutenant Patrick Halleran
Date: 6/1/10 Time: 1200hrs

6/10/2010 Bank Robbery Suspect Photo

Digital Video Snapshot

Site: West-Reichert/Palmer/CA/9284 Belmont

Camera Group: 9284 Belmont

Camera Name: 07 Main Exit

6/10/2010 10:47:02 AM (Pacific Daylight Time)



Capture Size: 352 x 240 pixels

Device Network Name: PSVCA6P6B01M01

Device Serial Number: KBAAP1184

Device Station ID: 9284 Belmont

6/10/2010 Bank Robbery – Update

**BELMONT POLICE DEPARTMENT
PRESS RELEASE**

Pursuant to California Government Code § 6254(f)

Type of Incident: **Bank Robbery Update (Suspect Photo)**

Case #: 1006-0077

Location: US Bank – 910 Ralston Ave.

Date: 6-10-2010

Time: 10:50 am

EVENT:

Belmont PD officers were called to the US Bank on Ralston Ave shortly before 11 o'clock this morning, on the report of a robbery that had just occurred. According to witnesses, the suspect was described as an African American woman, wearing an oversized t-shirt, a white NY Yankees hat, and sunglasses with metal frames. The woman stood just over 5 ft tall with a medium build, and carried a distinctive oversize shoulder bag. She entered the bank alone, approached a teller, announced that it was a robbery and demanded money. No weapon was actually seen. After receiving an undisclosed amount of cash, the suspect fled on foot through the south doors and was last seen in the parking lot near Walgreens. The lone suspect may have made her getaway in a vehicle, though no witnesses were found to confirm this. No one was injured during the robbery.

Belmont PD investigators are working to develop additional leads.

***** UPDATE *****

The Belmont Police Department is releasing a photograph of the suspect in this crime in an effort to identify her. If you have received this Press Release by email, please see the attached photo. The photo can also be found on our website at www.belmont.gov and click "Press Releases".

Anyone with information on this case is asked to contact Belmont PD investigators at (650) 595-7400.

By: Lt. Patrick Halleran
Date: 6-10-2010 Time: 1425 hrs

Authorized By: Capt. Dan DeSmidt
Date: 6-10-2010 Time: 1425 hrs

6/10/2010 Bank Robbery

BELMONT POLICE DEPARTMENT

PRESS RELEASE

Pursuant to California Government Code § 6254(f)

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Belmont PD investigators are working to develop additional leads. Investigators are also working with US Bank representatives to gather surveillance footage of the crime. For the latest information please check www.belmont.gov and click "Press Releases".

Anyone with information on this case is asked to contact Belmont PD investigators at (650) 595-7400.

By: Capt. Dan DeSmidt
Date: 6-10-2010 Time: 1240 hrs

Authorized By: Chief Don Mattei
Date: 6-10-2010 Time: 1245 hrs

6/11/2010 Click It or Ticket Update



PRESS RELEASE

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

June 11, 2010

CONTACT

Lt. Patrick Halleran 650-595-7430

2010 *Click it or Ticket* Campaign Results

Belmont, Calif. –

During the recent *Click it or Ticket* campaign, 153 drivers were stopped and 108 citations were issued for various seatbelt and passenger restraint-related violations.

The 2010 *Click It or Ticket* campaign was held during the two weeks between May 24th and June 6th. In addition to the Belmont Police Department, more than 150 local law enforcement agencies statewide and the CHP participated in this year's *Click It or Ticket* mobilization. Funding to support California's *Click It or Ticket* campaign was provided by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

In Belmont, 153 vehicles were stopped with 108 citations and 22 warnings issued. 97 drivers and 6 adult passengers were cited for not wearing seatbelts. 4 drivers were cited for not having children properly restrained and 1 was cited for having a non-working seatbelt. In addition, 23 other traffic citations were issued. It should also be noted that of the 153 drivers stopped, 5 were arrested on various charges ranging from being unlicensed (2), driving on a suspended driver's license (1), DUI (1) and outstanding warrants (1).

If you're planning to hit the road for a late spring or early summer getaway, be sure that everyone in the car wears their seat belt on every trip, day and night. The Belmont Police Department, and law enforcement throughout the state, will continue to look out for unbelted drivers and passengers. This year, fines and fees have increased from \$132 to \$142 for first time adult seat belt violations. For children under 16, the fine is now \$445 for a first time offense.

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6/22/2010 US Bank Robbery Update Suspect Sketch

BELMONT POLICE DEPARTMENT

PRESS RELEASE

Pursuant to California Government Code § 6254(f)

Type of Incident: Bank Robbery

Case #: 1006-0077

Location: US Bank – 910 Ralston Ave. Date: 6-10-2010

Time: 10:50am

EVENT:

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UPDATE (6/22/10):

Today investigators are releasing a [sketch of the bank robbery suspect](#). The rendering was completed with the assistance of witnesses inside the bank at the time of the robbery. Belmont PD investigators are still working to develop additional leads. For the latest information, including the new suspect sketch, please check www.belmont.gov and click "Press Releases".

Anyone with information on this case is asked to contact Belmont PD investigators at (650) 595-7400.

By: Capt. Dan DeSmidt

Date: 6-22-2010 Time: 0915 hrs

Authorized By: Chief Don Mattei

Date: 6-22-2010 Time: 0930 hrs

7/1/2010 Armed Robbery - Subway Sandwiches

BELMONT POLICE DEPARTMENT PRESS RELEASE

Pursuant to California Government Code § 6254(f)

Type of Incident:	Armed Robbery	Case #:	1006-0215
Location:	Subway Sandwiches- 1602 El Camino Real, Belmont	Date:	6/30/10 Time: 8:50 PM

EVENT

On 6/30/10 at approximately 8:50 PM, Belmont PD officers responded to Subway Sandwiches located at 1602 El Camino Real on a report of an armed robbery that had just occurred. Though the investigation is on going, the following is known at this time.

Two men entered the business and confronted the lone employee. One of the men was armed with a knife. The men demanded money and took an undetermined amount of cash from the cash register. The men left the scene on foot. No one else was in the business at the time of the incident.

Suspect Description:

Suspect #1-Described as a male, approximately 5'7"-5'8" tall, 140-150 lbs, wearing black slacks and a black and light blue colored shirt. Suspect was wearing black gloves and a black mask. Suspect may have a Spanish accent.

Suspect#2-Described as a male, approximately 5'7"-5'8" tall, 140-150 lbs, wearing a black shirt and black gloves. Suspect may have a Spanish accent.

Anyone with information regarding this case is asked to contact Belmont PD investigators at (650)595-7400.

By: Sgt. R. Digneo
Date: 06/30/2010 Time: 2300 hrs

Authorized By: Sgt. R. Digneo
Date: 06/30/10 Time: 2300 hrs

7/21/2010 Join The Belmont Mayor for Lunch July 29th Meals with the Mayor

NEWS
FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

July 21, 2010

CONTACT: Joni Stallings (650) 595-7408

Join the Belmont Mayor for Lunch on July 29!

Belmont, CA – Christine Wozniak, Mayor of the City of Belmont, is offering a series of opportunities to “Meet the Mayor” that are open to members of the Belmont community. These meetings are a chance for you to talk informally with the Mayor and meet other residents and members of the business community.

City Staff will also be on hand to listen to your ideas and concerns: Acting City Manager and Planning Director Carlos de Melo will be at the upcoming July lunch. These meetings will be held at various Belmont restaurants and are “no host” – individuals who attend will pay for their own meals.

“Meet the Mayor will give us an opportunity to hear what the people who live, study, and work in Belmont are thinking,” said Mayor Wozniak. “As Mayor, I look forward to hearing some great ideas that we can put to work in the City. ”

The July lunch will be held at Mossant Café on Thursday, July 29th at 12:00 p.m.

So that the Mayor can focus on each attendee, the lunches will be limited to the first 6-8 interested community members who respond. Reservations are required. If you are interested in attending, or for more information, please call Joni Stallings in the Belmont City Manager’s office at 650-595-7408.

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7/22/2010 Traffic Collision Auto vs Bicycle

**BELMONT POLICE DEPARTMENT
PRESS RELEASE**

Pursuant to California Government Code § 6254(f)

Type of Incident: **Traffic Collision – Auto vs. Bicycle**
Location: 1000 blk Ralston Avenue, Belmont

Case #: 1007-0158
Date: 7/22/10 Time: 0941hrs

EVENT

On Thursday, July 22, 2010 @ approx. 9:40AM, a 17 year-old Belmont youth was struck by a vehicle while riding his bicycle in the 1000 block of Ralston Ave. The boy, whose name is being withheld due to his age, was riding eastbound when a driver, who had been parked at the curb, pulled into traffic. The bicyclist was treated at the scene by paramedics and was transported to an area hospital with moderate injuries. The bicyclist was wearing a helmet at the time of the collision. Eastbound traffic in the 1000blk of Ralston Avenue was diverted onto adjacent streets for approx. 30 minutes, while police conducted the investigation. The driver of the car was not cited.

The Belmont Police would like to remind both motorists and bicyclist to be alert and remember that bicycles are often difficult to see in traffic. Also, bicyclists of all ages should remember to wear an approved bicycle helmet while riding.

By: Lieutenant Patrick Halleran
Date: 7/22/10 Time: 1250hrs

Authorized By: Captain Dan DeSmidt
Date: 7/22/10 Time: 1250hrs

7/23/2010 Juvenile Suspects Arrested

Type of Incident: **Residential Burglary – Juvenile Suspects Arrested**

Case #: 1007-0162

Location: 1500 blk Williams Ave., Belmont

Date: 7/21/10 Time: 1:25PM

EVENT

On Thursday afternoon, an alert and quick thinking Belmont resident and her son were instrumental in the arrest of three 15 year old suspects who were burglarizing a neighbor's home.

On Thursday, July 22, 2010 at approx. 1:25pm, a woman was at home in the 1500 block of Williams Ave., when she saw two male juveniles, she did not recognize, in front of her house. She alerted her 18 yr old son and they continued to watch the pair. When the juveniles went to a neighbor's house and disappeared from sight, the woman and her son investigated. The woman and her son confronted the two juveniles in the neighbor's garage and the woman called 911 on her cell phone, while her son detained the two juveniles. A third male juvenile fled from the scene.

Belmont Police responded to the call and took the two juveniles into custody for residential burglary. Subsequent investigation lead to the third juvenile suspect, who was arrested that evening. All of the suspects are 15 yrs old and residents of Belmont. Their names are being withheld due to their age.

At this point Belmont Police have determined that the three juveniles were not only involved in the burglary of the residence on Williams Ave., but the attempted burglary of four other residences in Belmont. All three suspects were released to their parents and Belmont Police will be seeking charges relating to burglary, attempted burglary and conspiracy.

While the quick action by the woman and her son was instrumental to the capture of the suspects, the Belmont Police would like to remind the public that confronting criminal suspects is dangerous and not recommended. If you see suspicious activity, call 9-1-1 and be the best witness you can.

By: Lieutenant Patrick Halleran
Date: 7/23/10 Time: 1330hrs

Authorized By: Capt. Dan DeSmidt
Date: 7/23/10 Time: 1330hrs

8/2/2010 National Night Out

Press Release

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

August 2, 2010 CONTACT:
Captain Dan DeSmidt
(650) 595-7412

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT 2010

Belmont, CA --

The annual **National Night Out** is a unique crime prevention event sponsored by the Belmont Police Department, Belmont/San Carlos Fire Department, the Belmont Chamber of Commerce, and several local citizens and neighborhood associations. The purpose is to get neighbors together in a social setting, and to share information to improve our neighborhoods. This year's event has been scheduled for **Tuesday August 3, 2010**

6pm-8pm.

Community support for **National Night Out** is at an all time high in Belmont. Various neighborhood events are being planned for the following locations:

- 2600 block of Carlmont Dr.
- 1400 block of 5th Ave.
- Carlmont Shopping Center
- Fox School
- Cipriani Park

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8/6/2010 City Employees give back over \$.5 million to Belmont

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

August 6, 2010

CONTACT: Cora Dino – (650) 637-2988

City Employees Giveback over \$.5 Million to Belmont

Belmont, CA

City employees, including all union bargaining groups and senior management, have agreed to voluntarily give back a total of \$505,000 in salary and benefits to the City for fiscal year 2011.

The concession includes \$197,000 from senior management, \$72,500 from AFSCME (American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees); \$98,000 from MMCEA mid-level managers and confidential employees; and \$135,000 from members of the police union BPOA. The concessions included a combination of furloughs as well as withholding of salary increases and bonuses owed under the current contracts.

The deals, which collectively exceeded the City Council's target goal of \$455,000 were struck after several months of meetings with the employee groups. The additional savings will be added to the City's reserves.

The City Council, City Clerk, and City Treasurer also agreed to give up the equivalent of 2% of their total salary.

This means no layoffs in the City of Belmont. City Hall will remain open during normal business hours.

In a thank you letter from the Mayor to the City Employees, Mayor Wozniak stated, "The Council understands how difficult it was to give something back especially during these recessionary times, with job losses, high unemployment rate, and financial challenges; yet in spite of it all, you came through."

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8/12/2010 Suspicious Circumstances

BELMONT POLICE DEPARTMENT PRESS RELEASE

Pursuant to California Government Code § 6254(f)

Type of Incident: Suspicious Circumstances
Case #: 1008-0068
Location: 1900 blk Hillman Ave, Belmont
Date: 8/12/10 Time: 0548hrs

Event

On Thursday, August 12, 2010 @ approx. 5:50 AM, Belmont Police responded to an address in the 1900 block of Hillman Ave on a report from a woman that she had been held against her will during the night. Belmont PD detectives are currently interviewing the victim and the investigation is on-going, but the following is known at this time.

The victim, a 42 yr old Belmont woman, reported that last night she had been out with co-workers at a bar in San Francisco. While at the bar she met the suspect, who offered to give her a ride to her car. The victim agreed, but instead of taking her to her car, the suspect drove the victim to various locations for the next five hours. Shortly before 6:00 AM, the victim was dropped off by the suspect near her home.

The victim was not injured during the incident and the details of the events are still being gathered at this time. There is no indication of any weapons at this time. The suspect is described by the victim as a black male adult in his 40's, approx. 6'2" tall with a medium build. The suspect may reside in the East Bay. He was driving a black newer model Lexus 4-door sedan with chrome rims.

Anyone with information on the incident is asked to contact Belmont Police at 650-595-7400.

By: Lieutenant Patrick Halleran
Date: 8/12/10 Time: 0900hrs

Authorized By: Lieutenant Patrick Halleran
Date: 8/12/10 Time: 0900hrs

8/13/2010 Auto / Pedestrian Collision

BELMONT POLICE DEPARTMENT PRESS RELEASE

Pursuant to California Government Code § 6254(f)

Type of Incident: Auto / Pedestrian Collision

Case #: 1008-0080

Location: I-Hop Restaurant, 510 El Camino, Belmont

Date: 8/13/10 Time: 1252hrs

EVENT

On Friday, August 13, 2010 @ approx. 12:50 PM, Belmont Police and Belmont-San Carlos Fire responded to a report of a pedestrian struck by a vehicle in the parking lot of the I-Hop Restaurant at 510 El Camino, Belmont.

The victim, an 86 year old San Mateo woman, was walking to her car in the parking lot, when she was struck and knocked to the ground by a Toyota pick-up driven by a 46 year old San Mateo man. The driver of the Toyota was backing out of a parking space and told officers that he did not see the woman, who was walking with the aid of a walker.

The woman was treated at the scene by paramedics for injuries sustained in the collision, before being transported to an area hospital.

The Belmont Police would like to remind the motoring public that they should always be alert for pedestrians and bicyclists while driving. Also, backing up any vehicle is especially hazardous and requires that drivers be especially alert.

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By: Lieutenant Patrick Halleran
Date: 8/13/10 Time: 1610hrs

Authorized By: Lieutenant Patrick Halleran
Date: 8/13/10 Time: 1610hrs

8/13/2010 Upcoming DUI/Drivers License Checkpoint

Press Release

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

CONTACT

August 13, 2010

Lt. Patrick Halleran 650-595-7400

**Belmont Police Department Checkpoint
Seeks to Save Lives**

Drunk driving is one of America's deadliest crimes. Last year (2009) in California, 1,029 people died in crashes involving a driver or motorcycle rider with a blood alcohol concentration (BAC) of .08 or higher. That is why Belmont Police are announcing today that they will be holding a DUI / Driver's License checkpoint on Sunday, August 22, 2010, from 6:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m., in the City of Belmont.

"Make no mistake. Our message is simple. No matter what you drive; a passenger car, pickup, sport utility vehicle or motorcycle, if we catch you driving impaired, we will arrest you. No exceptions. No excuses." said Chief of Police Don Mattei "We will be talking to drivers, making sure they are not impaired. We will be arresting those who are and getting the word out that impaired driving and driving without a proper license is not acceptable in Belmont" Chief Mattei added.

Belmont Police want to let the public know, by following these easy steps, a driver can enjoy a safe and festive evening without jeopardizing their life and the lives of the others who may be on the road.

- Plan a safe way home before the festivities begin;
- Before drinking, designate a sober driver and give that person your keys;
- If you're impaired, use a taxi, call a sober friend or family member, or use public transportation so you are sure to get home safely;
- If you happen to see a drunk driver on the road, don't hesitate to call 911.

Driving impaired is simply not worth the risk, the consequences are serious and real. Not only do you risk killing yourself or someone else, but the trauma and financial costs of a crash or an arrest for driving while impaired can be significant. Violators face jail time, the loss of their driver's license, higher insurance rates, and dozens of other unanticipated expenses.

Funding for this checkpoint comes from the California Office of Traffic Safety through the National Highway Transportation Safety Administration.

Drunk Driving - Over the Limit - Under Arrest.

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8/25/2010 Warrant Arrest

BELMONT POLICE DEPARTMENT PRESS RELEASE

Pursuant to California Government Code § 6254(f)

Type of Incident: **Warrant Arrest**
Location: El Camino Real and Ralston Ave, Belmont

Case #: 1007-0201
Date: 8/20/10

EVENT

On the morning of Friday, August 20, 2010, Belmont Police Officers served an arrest warrant issued by the San Mateo County Superior Court, on Ms. Estrella Benavides. The arrest warrant had been issued after a criminal complaint was filed in San Mateo County Superior Court, charging Ms. Benavides with nine counts of violating the City of Belmont's encroachment ordinance (§22-2 of the Belmont Municipal Code).

Ms. Benavides was cooperative and she was taken into custody without incident. The items she had placed on the public right of way were taken as evidence. Ms. Benavides was booked into the San Mateo County Jail in Redwood City. Her court ordered bail is \$65,000 and a trial date has been set for September 20, 2010.

For questions please call the Belmont Police Department at 650-595-7400.

By: Lieutenant Patrick Halleran
Date: 8/25/10 Time: 1415hrs

Authorized By: Chief Don Mattei
Date: 8/25/10 Time: 1415hrs

9/1/2010 ReThink Waste Launches Facebook Page



For Immediate Release

For Further Information:
Monica Devincenzi, RethinkWaste
Phone: 650-802-3509
Email: mdevincenzi@rethinkwaste.org

**RETHINKWASTE LAUNCHES SOCIAL MEDIA CAMPAIGN
TO BETTER CONNECT WITH RESIDENTS, AND BUSINESSES IN SERVICE AREA
*92,000 Homes and 10,000 Businesses in the RethinkWaste Service Area to Receive New Carts***

SAN CARLOS, CA – September 2, 2010 – RethinkWaste is announcing the launch of its Facebook page, using social media as one more way of informing its customers about the new residential and commercial recycle, compost and garbage collection services. The page will also provide important construction updates on the Shoreway Environmental Center, and other programs and general environmental and sustainability information.

"This is an exciting time for our customers, Member Agencies and RethinkWaste with the rollout of the new CartSMART residential services and the construction of Shoreway Environmental Center," said Monica Devincenzi, Recycling Outreach and Sustainability Manager at RethinkWaste. "Facebook gives us more of a real-time way to reach that segment of our customer base which is engaged in social media channels."

Delivery of new carts to RethinkWaste's approximately 92,000 households began on August 30 in the City of San Mateo and will continue through December 18, 2010. The cart delivery is part of the rollout of new collection services to be provided by Recology San Mateo County when they take over services from Allied Waste of San Mateo County, whose contract ends December 31, 2010.

RethinkWaste's Facebook page can be found by visiting the agency's main website at www.RethinkWaste.org and clicking on the Facebook icon at the top of the home page, or on Facebook under "RethinkWaste." The newly created page includes a video of a new commercial that will be playing in the San Mateo and Redwood City movie theaters in September, photographs of the residential cart delivery in the City of San Mateo, and other related information. RethinkWaste's social media efforts will also include creating a Twitter account to be launched later this month.

RethinkWaste

Formed in 1982, RethinkWaste is a joint powers authority comprised of 12 Member Agencies (Atherton, Belmont, Burlingame, East Palo Alto, Foster City, Hillsborough, Menlo Park, Redwood City, San Carlos, San Mateo, the County of San Mateo and the West Bay Sanitary District) in San Mateo County and is a leader in implementing innovative waste reduction and recycling programs. RethinkWaste also owns and manages the Shoreway facility in San Carlos consisting of a permitted solid waste transfer station and a recycling processing facility. The Agency's legal name is the South Bay Area Waste Management Authority (SEWMA.) For more information on RethinkWaste, please visit our website at www.RethinkWaste.org.

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9/1/2010 Join the Mayor for Breakfast on September 13

NEWS

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

September 1, 2010

CONTACT: Joni Stallings (650) 595-7408

Join the Belmont Mayor for Breakfast on September 13!

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"Meet the Mayor will give us an opportunity to hear what the people who live, study, and work in Belmont are thinking," said Mayor Wozniak. "As Mayor, I look forward to hearing some great ideas that we can put to work in the City."

***The September breakfast will be held at Hobee's Restaurant on Monday, September 13 at 8 a.m.
Hobee's Restaurant is located at 1101 Shoreway Road, Belmont, (650) 596-0400.***

So that the Mayor can focus on each attendee, this breakfast will be limited to the first 6-8 interested community members who respond. Reservations are required. If you are interested in attending, or for more information, please call Joni Stallings in the Belmont City Manager's office at 650-595-7408.

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California High Speed Rail Update

Belmont Community Invited to City Sponsored Update Meeting

The California High Speed Rail Authority is studying widening the current Caltrain Right-of-Way to construct the High Speed Rail Project. The proposal currently being studied for the Belmont segment is an 80 foot wide, 35-foot high aerial skyway or berm, with 25 foot tall overhead electrical wires. This project will directly impact the properties within 100 feet of the Caltrain Right-of-way, and indirectly impact the entire community.

The City of Belmont is hosting an informational meeting to share information about this project and how it will affect your business, your property, and the community in total. Business and property owners within 100 feet of the right-of-way have been notified, however all residents throughout the City are encouraged to attend.



Wednesday September 22nd 6:00 p.m.
Thursday September 23rd 10:00 a.m.

Belmont City Hall, One Twin Pines Lane
Emergency Operations Center - 2nd floor

9/14/2010 Belmont Seeks Residents for Ad-Hoc Committee on High Speed Rail

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

September 13, 2010

CONTACT: Carlos de Melo – (650) 595-7440

Belmont Seeks Residents for Ad-Hoc Committee on High Speed Rail

Belmont, CA -- The City of Belmont is currently recruiting residents interested in serving on an ad-hoc committee for the proposed high-speed rail project. The deadline to apply is 5:00 P.M. Thursday, **September 30, 2010**, and the application is available on the City's website: www.belmont.gov under "City Council and Commissions," by calling (650) 595-7413, or in person at the City Clerk's Office, City Hall, One Twin Pines Lane, Suite 375.

The purpose of the High Speed Rail Ad Hoc Committee is to help provide community outreach on this very important topic. "The current proposal by the High Speed Rail Authority calls for an aerial alignment on the Peninsula corridor, which will have a very profound effect on the Belmont community. It's important that we have a way to gather data, provide information, and seek input from everyone," said Mayor Christine Wozniak. "The City Council values community input, and input on high speed rail is no exception," she added.

It is anticipated that this ad hoc committee will serve as a working group and likely meet once or twice a month. Members of the committee will be expected to remain abreast of HSR project developments through research and attendance of public meetings, and to disseminate information to City representatives and residents. Meetings will be publicized and open to the public. Membership of the ad hoc committee will include city commissioners, a member of the City Council, representation from the business community, and other stakeholders.

To apply for this ad hoc committee and have an opportunity to make a contribution to your community on a very important topic, fill out the application form available on the website or from the City Clerk's Office (One Twin Pines Lane, Suite 375), and return it to the City Clerk no later than 5:00 PM on Thursday, September 30, 2010. Applicants must live in Belmont.

For more information, contact the City Clerk's Office at 650-595-7413. You can also download an application from the following Belmont website link <http://www.belmont.gov/subContent.asp?CatID=240000176>

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9/21/2010 Join the Belmont Mayor for Lunch on October 6

**NEWS
FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

September 20, 2010

CONTACT: Joni Stallings (650) 595-7408

Join the Belmont Mayor for Lunch on October 6!

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The October lunch will be held at ME.N.U Restaurant on Wednesday, October 6 at 12 noon. ME.N.U Restaurant is located at 889 Ralston Ave., Belmont, (650) 508-8600.

So that the Mayor can focus on each attendee, this lunch will be limited to the first 6-8 interested community members who respond. Reservations are required. If you are interested in attending, or for more information, please call Joni Stallings in the Belmont City Manager’s office at 650-595-7408.

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10/12/2010 Seeking Recycling Community Volunteers



NEIGHBORHOOD ENVIRONMENTAL VOLUNTEER TRAINING

Have you been wondering about the new Recycle, Compost and Garbage Collection Services coming to the City of Belmont starting November 11, 2010? Interested in learning more?

RethinkWaste, in partnership with the City of Belmont, is recruiting **Green Team Block Leaders** to help spread the word about the new CartSMART services. Green Team Block Leaders will be the first to know about these exciting new programs and will become the neighborhood experts on CartSMART. RethinkWaste will provide training, manuals and a tool kit – everything you'll need to get your friends and neighbors excited about this new era in sustainability!

The training will be held October 20, 2010 (see below for details). Food and refreshments will be provided. Volunteers will also receive a RethinkWaste messenger briefcase and the opportunity to enter a raffle for gift certificates and prizes.

Please join us for this training and become a Green Team Block Leader. Your involvement can be as informal and simple as just answering questions from neighbors to arranging formal presentations and home "Recycle" parties according to your schedule and availability.

Training Date: **October 20, 2010**

Location: **Emergency Operations Center Room (EOC)**
City Hall, 2nd Floor
One Twin Pines Lane
Belmont, CA 94002

Time: **6:30 pm Registration**
 6:45-8:30 pm Training

Please RSVP by October 19 at volunteer@rethinkwaste.org, and include in the email that the RSVP is for the Belmont training. Please share this with other Belmont residents and email us with any questions.

Thank you!
Monica

Monica G. Devincenzi

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10/13/2010 Breakfast with the Mayor on October 28

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

October 12, 2010

CONTACT: Joni Stallings (650) 595-7408

Join the Belmont Mayor for Breakfast on October 28!

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“Meet the Mayor will give us an opportunity to hear what the people who live, study, and work in Belmont are thinking,” said Mayor Wozniak. “As Mayor, I look forward to hearing some great ideas that we can put to work in the City.”

The October breakfast will be held at Whisper’s Restaurant on Thursday, October 28 at 8 a.m. Whispers Restaurant is located at 390 El Camino Real (cross street Davey Glen), Belmont, (650) 594-0000.

So that the Mayor can focus on each attendee, this breakfast will be limited to the first 6-8 interested community members who respond. Reservations are required. If you are interested in attending, or for more information, please call Joni Stallings in the Belmont City Manager’s office at 650-595-7408.

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10/13/2010 McDonald's Restaurant Robbery

Type of Incident: Robbery

Case #: 1010-0075

Location: McDonalds Restaurant-522 El Camino Real

Date: 10/12/10 Time: 9:08 PM

EVENT

On 10/12/10 at approximately 9:08 PM, Belmont PD officers responded to the McDonalds Restaurant at 522 El Camino Real on a report of a robbery that had just occurred. Though the investigation is on going, the following is known at this time.

A single male subject entered the restaurant and confronted the restaurant manager. The subject demanded cash and an undetermined amount of cash was taken from the restaurant's office. The subject was last scene leaving the area in a vehicle.

A county wide alert was issued with negative results for the subject or vehicle.

Suspect Description:

Suspect was described as a Hispanic male, approximately 5'10"-6'00" tall, 215-240 lbs, wearing a blue hooded shirt and blue pants. Subject had on a Batman mask and had false "vampire teeth" in his mouth.

Suspect Vehicle Description:

Silver, 2 door, Honda, with a black top.

Anyone with information regarding this case is asked to contact Belmont PD investigators at (650)595-7400.

By: Sgt. R Digneo

Date: 10/12/10 Time: 2300 hrs.

Authorized By: Sgt. R. Digneo

Date: 10/12/10

Time: 2300 hrs

11/2/2010 Medical Incident at Crystal Springs Cross Country Course

BELMONT POLICE DEPARTMENT PRESS RELEASE

Pursuant to California Government Code § 6254(f)

Type of Incident: Medical

Case #: 1011-0012

Location: Crystal Springs Cross Country Course, off Hallmark Dr. Belmont

Date: 11/2/10

Time: 1521 hours

EVENT

On 11/2/10, at 1521 hours, the Belmont Police Department received information from San Mateo County Communications of someone overcome with heat exhaustion while running at the Cross Country meet. Belmont San Carlos Fire Personnel were first on scene. At 1528 hours, Belmont Police Officers as well as Belmont Police Volunteers and a Belmont/San Carlos CERT member, began to arrive on scene. As soon as officers arrived, it was determined there were multiple victims of heat exhaustion from the participating schools within the Santa Clara Valley High School District. Several AMR (American Medical Response) units were called to the scene to assist with evaluation, treatment and transportation. The Belmont San Carlos Fire Department was assisted by allied fire agencies in their response to this incident.

Fire personnel and AMR personnel medically examined 13 juveniles, 1 of them male and 12 females. Two of them were transported to a local hospital for heat exhaustion and the rest were released to parents or coaches. All of the patients medical conditions were not life threatening.

All of the athletes and public safety personnel cleared the scene at 1713 hours.

BY: Sgt. Robyn Pitts

Authorized By: Lt. Kevin Daley

Date: 11/2/10 Time: 1820 hours

Date: 11/2/10 Time: 1830 hours

11/15/2010 Click it or Ticket

PRESS RELEASE

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

November 15, 2010

CONTACT

Sergeant Mike Braké 650-595-7400

Too Much Turkey Is No Excuse for Not Buckling Up

***Special Click It or Ticket Enforcement Mobilization Aimed at Increasing
Seat Belt Use and Saving Lives***

Belmont, CA – With the holidays upon us and millions of Americans hitting the roads, the Belmont Police Department wants everyone to arrive safely at their destinations. Drivers and passengers need to know that officers will be out in force sending the strong message to “Click It or Ticket”.

“No one wants to start the holidays off wrong with a ticket,” said Chief Don Mattei, Belmont Police Department. “Save your money for turkey and buying presents for loved ones – don’t throw it away simply because you failed to buckle up.”

While seat belt use is at a record high of 83 percent nationwide, 45 million Americans still fail to buckle up when they get in a motor vehicle. Even though in California 96.2 percent use their restraints, it still means that over 1.5 million Californians don’t buckle up.

During the holiday period, over 35 vehicle occupants who are not buckled up will be killed in motor vehicle crashes each day nationwide. Statewide, overall traffic deaths declined by 23 percent, from 3,995 in 2007 to 3,081 in 2009 due in part to the increased use of seat belts. Total traffic fatalities are at their lowest levels in six decades.

“Sadly, the holidays, which for many are the happiest time of the year, is also one of the deadliest and most tragic,” said Chief Mattei.

“Regular seat belt use is the single most effective way to protect people and reduce fatalities in motor vehicle crashes,” said Christopher J. Murphy Director of the California Office of Traffic safety. “Law enforcement estimates indicate that over 1300 Californians survived by buckling up last year. Sadly however, about 150 others will not be gathering with families during the holidays because they choose not to use their seat belts.”

National statistics also show that those least likely to buckle up are teens, young adults, males, nighttime riders, motorists traveling on rural roads, and individuals traveling in pickup trucks.

More than 100 local law enforcement agencies statewide and the CHP will be participating in this year’s Click It or Ticket mobilization. Funding to support California’s Click It or Ticket campaign was provided by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

11/16/2010 Brandishing of a Handgun

**BELMONT POLICE DEPARTMENT
PRESS RELEASE**

Pursuant to California Government Code § 6254(f)

Type of Incident: Brandishing of a Handgun
Location: 900 Block Alameda de las Pulgas

Case #: 1011-0082
Date: 11/16/10 Time: 1315 hrs

EVENT

Two men knocked on the door of a residence in the 900 block of Alameda de las Pulgas this afternoon and one brandished a silver handgun at the resident when she answered the door. The men fled on foot when the woman mentioned calling the police. The suspects made no demands and their motive is unclear. Officers responded to the scene and detained two men nearby, but further investigation showed that they were not involved.

The suspects are described as Hispanic men. The first (with the handgun) was in his 30's, shorter and heavyset. The second was taller and thin. Both were wearing grey clothing and the first was wearing a grey cap.

The Belmont Police Department is conducting an investigation into this case. Any potential witnesses are encouraged to call 650-595-7400

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By: Capt. Dan DeSmidt
Date: 11/16/10 Time: 1435hrs

Authorized By: Chief Don Mattei
Date: 11/16/10 Time: 1435hrs

11/16/2010 Four Car Collision

**BELMONT POLICE DEPARTMENT
PRESS RELEASE**

Pursuant to California Government Code § 6254(f)

Type of Incident: Four Car Collision
Location: El Camino Real at Harbor Blvd

Case #: 1011-0081
Date: 11/16/10 Time: 1140 hrs

EVENT

Officers are currently investigating a four car collision that occurred on northbound El Camino Real at Harbor Blvd. This chain reaction rear-end collision resulted in three people transported to local hospitals with neck and back pain. All victims appear to be in stable condition.

Northbound traffic is being diverted up Harbor Blvd and around the scene. Traffic in the area will likely be impacted for one hour.

The Belmont Police Department is conducting a thorough investigation into the cause of this collision. Any witnesses are encouraged to call 650-595-7400

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By: Capt. Dan DeSmid
Date: 11/16/10 Time: 1245hrs

Authorized By: Chief Don Mattei
Date: 11/16/10 Time: 1245hrs

11/29/2010 Burglary Carlmont High School

BELMONT POLICE DEPARTMENT PRESS RELEASE

Pursuant to California Government Code § 6254(f)

Type of Incident: **Burglary – School**

Case #: 1011-0162

Location: Carlmont High School
1400 Alameda, Belmont

Date: 11/29/10 Time: 0710hrs

EVENT

Thieves broke into Carlmont High School over the Thanksgiving holiday weekend taking computer equipment. The case is currently under investigation, but the following information is available at this time.

Sometime between the evening of Wednesday, November 24th and morning of Monday, November 29, 2010, unknown suspects forced entry to a classroom where computer equipment was stored. Twenty-five (25) white Apple MacBooks and thirty (30) black Apple iPod Touch's, were taken. The loss is estimated in excess of \$50,000. The equipment was owned by the school and used for instructional purposes.

Belmont PD investigators are currently reviewing security video from the school's security cameras and analyzing physical evidence.

Anyone with information on this crime is asked to call the Belmont Police Department at 650-595-7400 or the Belmont Crime Tip Line at 650-598-3000. Callers can remain anonymous.

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By: Lieutenant Patrick Halleran
DeSmidt Date: 11/29/10 Time: 1615hrs

Authorized By: Captain Daniel
Date: 11/29/10 Time: 1615hrs

11/30/2010 Stolen Vehicle - Suspects Arrested

BELMONT POLICE DEPARTMENT PRESS RELEASE

Pursuant to California Government Code § 6254(f)

Type of Incident: Stolen Vehicle Suspects Arrested
Location: 39th Ave at El Camino Real, San Mateo

Case #: 1011-0169
Date: 11/30/10 Time: 0945 hrs

EVENT

Two young men were seen by a Belmont PD officer riding in a stolen white Honda Civic on El Camino Real near the Belmont / San Mateo boarder this morning. The car had been reported stolen in Menlo Park yesterday. Before the officer could stop the Honda, the driver fled northbound on El Camino Real, lost control of the vehicle, and crashed into a fire hydrant and a parked car on 39th Ave at El Camino Real.

The two young men fled on foot but were later arrested in a nearby residential neighborhood while attempting to hide in backyards. They were located with the assistance of San Mateo PD and a CHP Air unit. Neither suspect was seriously injured in the crash. They will be booked on charges related to possessing stolen property (the car), leaving the scene of a collision, and resisting arrest. Their names are not being released due to their ages. The driver is 17 and the passenger is 16.

The Belmont Police Department is conducting an investigation into this case. Any potential witnesses are encouraged to call 650-595-7400

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By: Capt. Dan DeSmidt
Date: 11/30/10 Time: 1330 hrs

Authorized By: Chief Don Mattei
Date: 11/30/10 Time: 1330 hrs

12/1/2010 Non Injury Rollover Traffic Collision

BELMONT POLICE DEPARTMENT PRESS RELEASE

Pursuant to California Government Code § 6254(f)

Type of Incident: **Non-Injury Rollover Traffic Collision** Case #: 1011-1072
Location: 2100 Blk Ralston Ave, Belmont Date: 11/30/10 Time: 1425hrs

EVENT

On Tuesday, November 30, 2010 @ approx. 2:25pm, Belmont Police and Belmont-San Carlos Fire responded to a report of a solo-vehicle roll-over collision in the 2100 blk of Ralston Ave. Upon arrival, officers found a black 2000 Range Rover SUV, on its side, blocking the W/B lanes of Ralston Ave.

The driver, a 16 year-old Belmont youth whose name is being withheld due to his age, was able to climb out of the vehicle without assistance as emergency personnel arrived on-scene. He was checked at the scene by paramedics and was uninjured. According to the driver and witnesses, the Range Rover was turning left from N/B Alameda onto W/B Ralston Ave, when the vehicle struck the curb and rolled onto its side. Preliminary investigation into the cause of the collision indicates that speed may have been a factor. W/B Ralston was closed for approximately 30 min due to the collision and reopened to normal traffic at approx. 2:55pm.

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By: Lt. Patrick Halleran
Date: 11/30/10 Time: 1645hrs

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12/10/2010 Burglary - School (Vehicle of Interest) Picture - Vehicle of Interest

BELMONT POLICE DEPARTMENT

PRESS RELEASE

Pursuant to California Government Code § 6254(f)

Type of Incident: **Burglary – School (Vehicle of Interest)**
Location: Carlmont High School – 1400 Alameda, Belmont

Case #: 1011-0162
Date: 11/29/10 Time: 0710hrs

EVENT

Sometime between the evening of Wednesday, November 24th and morning of Monday, November 29, 2010, unknown suspects forced entry to a classroom where computer equipment was stored. Twenty-five (25) white Apple MacBooks and thirty (30) black Apple iPod Touch's, were taken. The loss is estimated in excess of \$50,000. The equipment was owned by the school and used for instructional purposes.

*** UPDATE ***

The Carlmont High School campus is covered by 31 video cameras and each camera had approx. 4 ½ days of stored video. Belmont PD investigators have completed their review of the security video from the school's security cameras and are releasing the video and a still photo of a vehicle of interest, which was photographed on the night of Sunday, November 28, 2010 at approx. 9:40 PM. While the quality of the image is poor, investigators who have reviewed the original footage believe the vehicle is a compact SUV or Crossover type vehicle. The vehicle appears to be leaving the campus via the north gate, onto Alameda de las Pulgas.

The investigation into this crime is continuing and Belmont Police are asking anyone who may have seen this vehicle leaving campus on November 28th, to call Belmont PD at 650-595-7400 or the Belmont Crime Tip Line at 650-598-3000, callers can remain anonymous.

The still photo can also be found on our website at www.belmont.gov and click "Press Releases".

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By: Lieutenant Patrick Halleran
12/10/10 Time: 1445hrs

Authorized By: Captain Daniel DeSmidt Date:
Date: 12/10/10 Time: 1445hrs

12/10/2010 Remains of Deer found after apparent Mountain Lion Attack

Type of Incident: **Remains of a deer found on school campus after apparent mountain lion attack**

Case #: 101209037

Location: Ralston Middle School – 2675 Ralston Avenue, Belmont

Date: 12/9/10 Time: 1109hrs

EVENT

This morning at approx. 11:00 AM, the remains of a deer were found on the athletic field of Ralston Middle School. Belmont Police and California State Fish and Game responded and confirmed, based on evidence at the scene, that the deer had been apparently killed by a mountain lion and her cub sometime during the night. The field area is used by students every day during physical education classes.

An automated telephone alert along with text message alerts via the SMCAAlert system and Twitter have been sent to residents in the City to inform them of the incident. In addition, the Belmont Redwood Shores School District has alerted staff and students regarding the incident.

As of this press release, the deer carcass has been removed from the school grounds.

More than half of California is mountain lion habitat. Mountain lions generally exist wherever

deer are found. They are solitary and elusive, and their nature is to avoid humans. The California Department of Fish & Game provides tips on what to do if confronted by mountain lions or other threatening wild animals. More information regarding mountain lions can be found on the Department of Fish & Game website at (<http://www.dfg.ca.gov/news/issues/lion/>).

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By: Lieutenant Patrick Halleran
Date: 12/9/10 Time: 1615hrs

Authorized By: Lieutenant Patrick Halleran
Date: 12/9/10 Time: 1615hrs

12/16/2010 City Hall Closure

Notice

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

December 15, 2010

CONTACT: Greg Scoles – (650) 595-7408

BELMONT CITY HALL TO CLOSE

Belmont, CA – City administrative offices will close from December 24th through December 31st, 2010. Offices will reopen on Monday, January 3, 2011. The following offices will be completely closed:

- City Clerk
- City Manager
- Community Development
- Finance (including business licenses)
- Human Resources
- Information Services
- Permit Center (including building inspections)
- Recreation Administration

Police and Fire emergency services will be fully operational. For emergencies, call 9-1-1.

For non-emergency Police matters, please call 595-7400.

The Belmont Senior and Community Center and Belmont Community Learning Center (child care) will be closed during this period. Emergency Contact Information for other city departments is available through the Police Dispatch unit at 595-7400.

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